



## St. Gregory Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC)

### Letter to Parents on 2012/2013 Fundraising and Spending

St. Gregory Catholic School Advisory Council (CSAC) would like to thank you for your help in continuing to make St. Gregory Catholic School **"A Great Place To Be"**. St. Gregory is a dynamic school with many activities benefitting our students. Our CSAC activities are only possible with the support of our parent community who volunteer countless hours and provide financial support.

The 2012/2013 finances were recently approved at the September 25th CSAC Annual General Meeting. The meeting minutes and Treasurer Report are available for all parents on the St. Gregory website. We invite you to visit our new website regularly so that you can have the latest school information at your fingertips.

<http://school.stgregorytoronto.com/csac.html>

CSAC wants to ensure our parent community understands what activities are funded by your financial support. Please find below a list of the CSAC activities funded in 2012/2013 as well as an overview of the 2012/2013 fundraising and spending.

Together with the school administration we welcome input from our parent community to ensure that St. Gregory continues to be, "A Great Place to Be".

**We are planning another exciting year at St. Gregory's Catholic School.**

Please join us on **Wednesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2013**, when the 2013-2014 CSAC budget will be reviewed and approved.

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## **St. Gregory CSAC Activities in 2012-2013**

### FUNDED Curriculum Enhancement, Class Resources & School Activities

- Provided funding for programs which support curriculum such as, Scientist in the School, Drama & Presentations program , literacy & numeracy programs, Books for Boys
- Provided funding for supportive class resource materials and school activities such as, the choir, swim team, buses for field trips
- Provided financial assistance for students when needed
- Funded new classroom laptops
- Funded repairs of musical instruments and physical education equipment
- Administered successful fundraisers : QSP / Pizza Lunch / Dance-A-Thon as / Run-A-Thon, the latter of which funds were shared with St. Mark's Catholic School

### ENGAGED our Parent Community

- Developed an Anaphylaxis Prevention and Management Plan and Parent Handbook on Bullying
- Planned Community Involvement Events BBQ Curriculum Night / Family Pajama Movie Night / BINGO Night / Family Fun Skate & Coffee Sunday
- Planned BBQ Family Fun Night
- Built and launched a new school website
- Sponsored a Health & Wellness Evening/Internet Safety Session
- Purchased a new BBQ to be used for community and school events

### SUPPORTED Student Activities

- Supported the Health Action Team in organizing Fun Food Fridays/Big Crunch
- Administered BRICKS Award & Recognition Program
- Sponsored SK/Grade 8 graduation / Teacher and Sacramental Luncheons
- Launched a new St Gregory T-Shirt , along with Spirit Wear Program for the School

### SUPPORTED St. Gregory's School

- Installed air conditioners on the 2nd floor
- Re-launched the Milk Program for 2013-2014
- Maintained green space by seeding and fertilizing the grass



## St. Gregory Catholic School CSAC Revenue & Spending for the 2012/2013 school year

### Net CSAC Revenue (revenue minus expense of running fundraiser)

Pizza Lunch	<i>Sale of pizza lunches throughout the year.</i>	13,139
QSP Magazine	<i>Proceeds from QSP magazine Sales.</i>	11,961
Dance-A-Thon	<i>Dance-A-Thon sponsorship fundraiser held in March, 2013.</i>	7,700
Run-A-Thon	<i>Run-A-Thon sponsorship fundraiser held in May, 2013.</i>	4,810
BBQ Family Fun Night	<i>BBQ Fun Night fundraiser held in June, 2013.</i>	2,045
Kidsessentials Lunch	<i>Kidsessentials provides a percentage of lunch profits to CSAC.</i>	1,893
Parent Participation Grant	<i>TCSDB grant for parent participation in the school community.</i>	1,463
Progrant	<i>Prov of Ontario grant for parent participation in the school community.</i>	536
Choir Donation	<i>Corporate donation received to support choir activities.</i>	500
		<b>\$ 44,047</b>

### Programs and Expenses

Scientists in School	<i>The Scientists in School budget was increased in 2012/2013 to provide 2 sessions for every class. The mission of Scientists in School is to ignite scientific curiosity through discovery.</i>	9,752
Teacher Allocation	<i>Teachers are allocated up to \$150 (\$200 for split classes) for supplies to assist with their teaching plans.</i>	4,708
Drama and Presentations	<i>Halloween DJ, Books for Boys presentation, Bilingual play, Brazilian Dance Performance</i>	3,647
Buses/Transportation	<i>Funding for sports team buses to reduce charges to students.</i>	3,000
Classroom Literacy & Numeracy	<i>Literacy component -Enhancement of classroom libraries in Kindergarten classes. Numeracy component – software license (basic operations), classroom resource materials.</i>	3,000
Book Club	<i>Provided directly to the school library to support book club.</i>	2,717
St. Mark's Catholic School	<i>One time donation to St. Mark's Catholic School to promote our Catholic Values.</i>	2,255
Financial Assistance	<i>Provided to the school administration to provide assistance to students who would not be able to participate in activities or trips.</i>	2,000
Bullying Plays & Presentations	<i>Internet Safety Presentation, Bullying Presentation</i>	1,435
Graduation Ceremonies	<i>Picture frames, food, drink and decorations for SK &amp; Grade 8 graduations.</i>	1,405
Sacramental Lunch	<i>Sacramental Pins, Pizza, Veggies, Fruit, Cake for Grade 2 &amp; Grade 8 students.</i>	1,205
Council Expenses	<i>Coffee for parent/teacher nights, Coffee Sunday at the Parish, Gifts to retiring teachers.</i>	959
Parent Participation Events	<i>Fun Skate, Movie Night, BINGO Night.</i>	927
Fitness, Health & Safety Committee	<i>Fun Food Fridays, including the BIG CRUNCH.</i>	908
Swim Team	<i>Funding for Swim Team to reduce cost for students.</i>	854
Social & Teacher Appreciation	<i>Teacher Appreciation luncheon hosted in March, 2013.</i>	559
Choir	<i>Piano accompanist and sheet music expenses for pop choir.</i>	361
St. Gregory's T-Shirts	<i>Administrative costs of creating St. Gregory's SpiritWear T-shirts.</i>	322
Team SpiritWear	<i>Sports Team Spirit Wear.</i>	150
Other Miscellaneous	<i>Primarily Bank charges.</i>	42
		<b>\$ 40,206</b>

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**Capital Items**

Phys Ed Equipment	<i>Replacement and repair of Phys. Ed. Equipment.</i>	499
Music Program	<i>Replacement of instruments and purchase of music programs.</i>	1,812
IT Renewal	<i>Funding to improving computer technology in the school.</i>	7,500
Air Conditioners	<i>Purchase of air conditioners for 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.</i>	4,440
BBQ Purchase	<i>Purchase of CSAC BBQ to avoid rental expenses for various activities.</i>	3,300
		<b>\$ 17,551</b>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures</b>		<b>(13,710)</b>
Surplus – Beginning of Year		<b>14,437</b>
<b>Surplus – End of Year</b>		<b>\$ 727</b>

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